

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 676

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Cliff Goodrich of Humboldt on his supreme accomplishments in the sport of rodeo.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those gifted athletes who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor this state and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this state; and

WHEREAS, Cliff Goodrich is one such estimable Tennessean who has won much acclaim for his unsurpassed rodeo prowess; and

WHEREAS, through diligence, dedication, and hard work, he has maximized his considerable talent and reached the pinnacle of his sport; and

WHEREAS, he has compiled a remarkable record of professional achievements that dates to 1982, when he became Reserve National NIRA Champion Calf Roper and NIRA Ozark Region Champion; the following year, he added a PRCA Southeastern Calf Roping Championship; and

WHEREAS, a two-time IFR All-Around Champion Cowboy, he has been remarkably consistent during his career as the 1988-1997 Southeastern Regional IPRA Calf Roping Champion and a 1988-2000 International Finals Rodeo Qualifier; and

WHEREAS, more than two decades after his first professional championship, Cliff Goodrich showed that he can still "cowboy up" with the best by winning the 2003 PRCA Southeastern Calf Roping and U.S. Tobacco Calf Roping Championships; and

WHEREAS, his rodeo accomplishments aside, Mr. Goodrich has succeeded in a wide range of endeavors; a 1983 graduate of the University of Tennessee at Martin with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science, he is President of G&N Contractors, Inc. in Humboldt and

formerly served as President and a member of the Board of Directors of Jackson Home Builders Association in 1991; and

WHEREAS, this estimable Tennessean is a living embodiment of the State's motto, "Agriculture and Commerce", as he has reached the highest levels of success in each of those fields; and

WHEREAS, his accomplishments have ensured that he will forever be remembered as one of the greatest cowboys ever to grace the arenas of this state; and

WHEREAS, he has achieved such supreme success while at all times evidencing the utmost in character, dedication, and determination; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Goodrich for his great athletic prowess and for serving as a fine example of the high quality of Tennessee's citizenry; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Cliff Goodrich, 2003 PRCA Southeastern Calf Roping and U.S. Tobacco Calf Roping Champion, and join with his family, friends, and the rodeo community of this state in celebrating his supreme accomplishments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we wish him much continued success and happiness in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.